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SAN GORGONIO

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Membership Meetings

Tuesday, Sept 3rd • 7:30 PM

"Smoggy Summer Inland Valley"

Presented by Dr. Sunni Ivey,

UCR Professor of Chemical Engineering

(see write up on Page 6)

Tuesday, October 1st • 7:30 PM

"Who Saved the Redwoods?"

Presented by Laura & James Wasserman

(see write up on Page 12)

Programs are held at the
San Bernardino County Museum,
2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands
(California St. exit off 10 Fwy)

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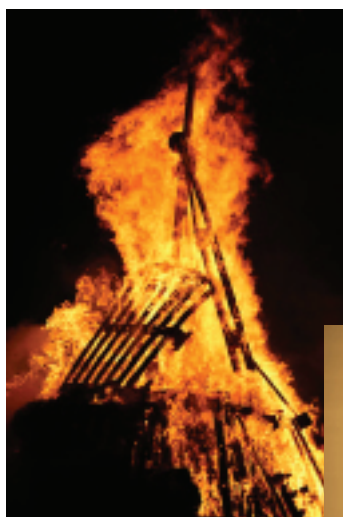
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Gas in Our Homes is a Health and Safety Risk

By: Matt Gough, Senior Campaign Representative for Sierra Club's My Generation campaign, and Yassi Kavezade, Community Organizer, My Generation Campaign, Southern California, Inland Valley

Sixty percent of homes in the state that cook at least once a week with a gas stove can reach pollutant levels that would be illegal if found outdoors. On top of that, homes with gas stoves have higher instances of childhood Asthma - a recent study found that up to 12% of childhood asthma cases could be attributed to exposure to gas stoves. SoCalGas is doing everything in their power to protect their profits, including sacrificing the health and safety of Californians.

Gas pipelines are particularly vulnerable natural disasters. In the event of a fire, earthquake, or flood, gas pipelines are liable to rupture, catch fire, or explode. The dozens of high profile gas leaks, fires, and explosions in CA over the past few years are testament enough. From SCG's Aliso Canyon gas leak that had a worse carbon footprint than the deep water horizon leak, to the San Bruno gas line explosion



Gas explosions of homes - remember Murrieta?

that decimated a neighborhood, we have more than enough evidence to see that gas has no place in our buildings or our communities. Resolutions calling for "balanced energy solutions" are thinly veiled ploys the gas industry is using in an attempt to preserve

the use of their dangerous, dirty, and increasingly expensive fuel. Gas is becoming increasingly expensive. As our state electrifies our appliances and decarbonizes our grid, gas use will shrink and its costs will be spread over fewer communities, who will end up paying more. A recent study by E3 shows that low income communities will be hit the hardest by rising gas prices. SoCalGas and their front group, Californians for balanced energy solutions, are only concerned with preserving the gas status quo, despite the fact that their efforts will hit CA's most vulnerable

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Dirty gas plant

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By: Dave Barrie
Nominating Committee Chair

As I write this (August 2) we are a little more than a month from the deadline to accept Executive Committee (ExCom) candidate requests from our membership.

At this time, we have three potential candidates for four openings on the Executive Committee and need at least one more candidate (more than one would be good) to ensure that our ExCom operates at full size for 2020.

The San Gorgonio Chapter, as of June 2019, has 7,163 members and if you were to list the "active" members (Group ExCom, Outings Leaders, various committee members, etc.) you would find about 7,000 people did not make it to the list.

We need one or two of those 7,000 people to step forward for this election. If you want to get your name into the hat you can contact me, Dave Barrie, at barriemail@mac.com

And if you need more information to help you decide if you want to be a candidate you can contact me for that as well.

Once again, Chapter and Group volunteers are responsible for our accomplishments and the work that we do to protect the environment. This is one of the important ways you can help make a difference.

Contact Us . . .

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www.sierraclub.org/san-gorgonio/big-bear

Los Serranos Group:
Chair – Brian Elliot brianelli@aol.com
Meets 3rd Tuesday except July & August,
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11200 Baseline Rd. Rancho Cucamonga,
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Mojave Group:
Chair – Susan Stueber 760-900-5330
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Gas in Our Homes . . . Continued from Page 1

committees the hardest.

- All-electric homes can be cheaper to build than gas-heated buildings — and they can lower monthly utility bills for residents and businesses. Ensuring all new construction is built without gas hookups will help developers build more quickly and affordably as there will be no need for new costly gas infrastructure — an advantage in California’s ongoing housing crisis. A recent analysis by the Statewide Utility Codes and Standards Team found that building all-electric reduced construction costs on average \$5,000 for single-family homes and over \$2,000 per unit in a multi-family building.



- SoCalGas’s attempt to slow walk the clean energy revolution through resolutions designed to hinder all electric design, construction, and retrofits is a dangerous and irresponsible reaction to the threats of climate change, housing affordability, and public health. These resolutions, introduced by SoCalGas front group, Californian’s for balanced energy solutions, have no place in local governance - it’s up to us to educate communities, elected, and relevant stakeholders about the dangers of gas and the benefits of electrification for the sake of climate change, housing affordability, and public safety.

Calendar of Outings, Meetings, and Other Events

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2019

The outings calendar is on the Internet at <http://sangorgonio.sierraclub.org/>

CALENDAR SUBMISSIONS

DEADLINE: Items for the November/December 2019 Calendar are due by October 1, 2019.

FORMAT items like those below. Send items electronically if possible.

OUTINGS: Send outings write-ups to your group or section Outings Chair.

MEETINGS & other events: Send electronically to Ladd Seekins at ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com

GENERAL INFORMATION/RULES/DISCLAIMERS – All Outings Leaders are Chapter Certified Leaders having appropriate Outings Training Courses, First Aid Courses, & experience for the Outings they lead. Leaders may exclude individuals from participation if they believe they may not be qualified. Non-Sierra Club members may join outings unless otherwise stated in the write-up. All participants agree to abide by the Leader's rules. Participants should **CALL THE LEADER AHEAD TO SIGN-UP**. Many Outings specify items to be carried by **EACH** participant. Do not attend Outings without the specified items unless you have first discussed it with the leader. Often the **TEN ESSENTIALS** are required. They are: 1) Map 2) Compass 3) Flashlight 4) Knife 5) Windproof/waterproof matches in waterproof case 6) Fire starter 7) First aid kit 8) Extra food & water for emergency use only 9) Extra clothing including rainwear 10) Sun protection including sunscreen/sunglasses/hat. Carpooling is encouraged, but solely the responsibility of individual participants. The Sierra Club & its leaders may facilitate carpooling; however, they will not assign. Drivers should have adequate insurance coverage & their vehicle should have no safety defects. For Sierra Club facilitated carpooling, drivers agree to not consume any alcoholic beverages. It is customary for riders to share expenses with the driver. The above information applies to Sierra Club Outings & Activities only. Non-Sierra Club activities may be listed in a separate location as a courtesy. Please be sure to read the disclaimer that accompanies these activities.

**** ADVENTURE PASS SPECIAL NOTICE** – Outings occurring in the San Bernardino, Angeles, Cleveland, or Los Padres National Forests may require a Forest Service "Adventure Pass" for each vehicle. The Forest Service designates where the passes are required. Generally, areas that have developed parking & may include toilet facilities, interpretive signs & trash cans require passes & unimproved areas do not require passes. Outings that require passes usually will be preceded by ** in the listings that follow, and/or the leader may indicate the need for Adventure Passes. While leaders try to provide accurate information, ultimately it is the vehicle's driver that assumes responsibility to adhere to all rules, regulations, & laws - not the Sierra Club. The permits cost \$30 per year or \$5 per day; however, they may not be obtainable the day of your outing. As a passenger, you are expected to share some of the cost of the daily passes along with a mileage contribution along with the others in the vehicle. Golden Eagle Passports & Golden Age Passports may be used in lieu of the Adventure Pass.

CARPPOOLING POLICY – In the interests of facilitating some outings, it is customary that participants make carpooling arrangements. The Sierra Club assumes no liability for carpooling arrangements. Carpooling, ride sharing, or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel.

LIABILITY WAIVER – To participate on one of the Sierra Club's outings, you will need to sign a liability waiver. If you would like to read a copy of the waiver prior to the outing, please visit the San Gorgonio Chapter website at sangorgonio2.sierraclub.org & click on Disclaimers under the Outings tab.

RECURRING MONTHLY MEETINGS (LOOK IN CALENDAR FOR DATES)

(1ST MON) 6:00 PM SB MOUNTAINS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Alpine Conference Room 27236 Blue Jay Mall on the first Monday of selected months: Feb. 4, Mar. 4, Apr. 1, May 6, Oct. 7 & Nov. 4. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313. SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

(1ST MON) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP EXCOM MEETING
The meeting place rotates. CONTACT: ELLEN KESLER, 909-585-1062, jcricket47@yahoo.com BIG BEAR GROUP

(1ST TUE) * 7:30 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING
Monthly chapter program. For more information, see front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LADD SEEKINS, ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com. (909) 800-3911. CHAPTER

(1ST THU) LOS SERRANOS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Odd-numbered months only (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov). PLACE: For meeting time & place, contact BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

(2ND MON) 7:00 PM SB MOUNTAINS GROUP MEETING
Monthly program meeting. No meeting in August or December. PLACE: St. Richard's Episcopal Church, 28708 Highway 18, Sky Forest. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313. SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

(2ND TUE) 7:00 PM CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. Please participate. We need your help! INFO: KIM FLOYD, Conservation Chair, kimffloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 249-5385. CHAPTER

(2ND WED) 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except for July & August. PLACE: Sterling Inn, Regency Room, 17738 Francesca, Victorville. (One block north of Bear Valley Rd. on Ridgecrest.) Enter on Ridgecrest side of the building. INFO: SUSAN STUEBER, sstueber16@gmail.com MOJAVE GROUP

(2ND THU) 6:30 PM SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except July, August & December. In place of the December meeting there will be a winter celebration ON THE WEEKEND. Doors open at 6:00 PM, meeting starts at 6:30. PLACE: Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauba Road, Temecula. INFO: PAM NELSON (951) 767-2324 sierraclubsmg@gmail.com SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

(3RD TUE) 7:00 PM LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING
Monthly except July & August. Please join us for an informative program. PLACE: Goldy B. Lewis Center, Central Park, 11200 Baseline Rd., Rancho Cucamonga. INFO: BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

(3RD THU) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except January, February & December. INFO: For current program information, please visit the Group web site sierraclub.org/san-gorgonio/big-bear. PLACE: Big Bear Discovery Center, 40971 North Shore Dr. (Hwy. 38), Fawnskin. INFO: ELLEN KESLER, 909-585-1062, jcricket47@yahoo.com BIG BEAR GROUP

(4TH TUE) 7:00 PMSAN GORGONIO CHAPTER EXCOM MEETING
Chapter governance meeting. Monthly except for December. PLACE: The meeting is by teleconference. If you wish to participate, contact Mary Ann for instructions. INFO: MARY ANN RUIZ, ruizmaryann@gmail.com, (909) 815-9379. CHAPTER

AUG 26 – SEP 1

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings and Activities)

AUG 25-31 (SUN-SAT) MONO RECESSES & PIONEER BASIN BACKPACK
Visit Pioneer Basin and Mono Recesses, some of the most beautiful areas in the Sierras on this 30-mile, on-trail, semi-loop backpack. Pioneer Basin and the Mono Recesses are north-south trending basins above and below westward-flowing Mono Creek. Start and finish at the Mosquito Flat trailhead at the end of Rock Creek Rd. Four camping spots and two layover days. CAPACITY: 3 leaders (Joe will assist as well) and 6 participants. RATED: **Moderate**, but all Sierra backpacks are strenuous, it's just a question of degree. MEET: TBA. RESERVATIONS: Dave Melton (760) 408-2456, dmelton61@yahoo.com, David Holtegaard (909) 881-1329, d10olie@aol.com BIG BEAR GROUP

AUG 27 (TUE) 7:00 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER EXCOM MEETING
Chapter governance meeting. Monthly except for December. PLACE: The meeting is by teleconference. If you wish to participate, contact Mary Ann for instructions. INFO: MARY ANN RUIZ, ruizmaryann@gmail.com, (909) 815-9379. CHAPTER

AUG 31 (SAT) 8:00 AM EYE OF GOD, BIG BEAR HIKE
By popular demand we will re-visit this extraordinary natural rock, again, this summer. This is an easy 5-mile outing through a wooded area with views of the San Bernardino Mountains along the Pacific Crest Trail. WEAR: Strong shoes and a hat. Bring plenty of water. MEET: Apple Valley Museum, 11873, Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley, CA 92308 or at the trailhead where the PCT crosses Highway 18 by 9 am. LEADER: Norman BOSSOM 760-912-3725. coachnorm@yahoo.com MOJAVE GROUP

SEP 2 – SEP 8

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings and Activities)

SEP 2 (MON) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUPEXCOM MEETING
The meeting place rotates. CONTACT: ELLEN KESLER, 909-585-1062, jcricket47@yahoo.com BIG BEAR GROUP

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SEP 3 (TUE) 7:30 PM SANGORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING
Monthly chapter program. For more information, see Page 6 and front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LADD SEEKINS, ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com. (909) 800-3911. CHAPTER

****SEP 4 (WED) 7:30 AM STODDARD PEAK HIKE**
This will be a moderate hike up Barrett Canyon to the top of Stoddard Peak (elevation 4,624 ft), 6 miles round trip with 1100 ft. elevation gain. The hike in Barrett Canyon is easy and goes past some charming cabins. The last half mile up Stoddard Peak is a steep scramble. Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, water, snack, sunscreen, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Adventure Pass will be required for parking at the trailhead. Contact leader for carpooling from Upland. LEADER: Kathy Viola 909-346-9653, kviola826@gmail.com
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

SEP 5 (THU) LOS SERRANOS GROUPEXCOM MEETING
Odd-numbered months only (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov). PLACE: For meeting time & place, contact BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

SEP 6 (FRI) 10:00 AM SWITZER PARK PICNIC AREA WALK
Join us for a 1/2 mile **easy** walk on a paved ADA-compliant path around Switzer Park. This walk is ideal for young kids and those with limited mobility. Adventure Pass recommended. Amenities include restrooms and picnic tables. MEET At the Switzer Park Picnic area (28527 Rim of the World Hwy #18, Skyforest, CA 92385). WEAR walking shoes. BRING trekking poles/walking stick, water and snacks. LEADER Karla Kellems call 909-939-5790 or text 760-405-4311 karlakellems@gmail.com. Inclement weather will cancel. If canceled will reschedule on 9/12/2019.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

SEP 7 (SAT) 7 AM – 5 PM SAN CLEMENTE BEACH TRAIL HIKE via Metrolink
We'll be taking the weekend Metrolink Beach Train from the downtown Riverside station to the San Clemente North station. From there we will do an easy 2.25 mile hike south on a busy but scenic trail along the beach. On the return trail north, we'll stop at the San Clemente Pier area for a lunch break before heading back to the north station (total 4.5 mi RT) where we plan to catch the train back approximately 3 pm. FEE: \$10 RT on Metrolink. BRING: Sunscreen, hat, walking shoes, water, cash or credit for train and lunch or bring your own. RSVP by 8 pm on Sept. 6. Contact: LEADER: Christina Torres 951-318-7503 or cmt.teck@gmail.com
MORENO VALLEY GROUP

****SEP 7 (SAT) 8:00 AM TABLE MOUNTAIN HIKE**
This is a **moderate** 5-mile hike through a lovely wooded area in Wrightwood. We will take a road and trails to the top of the mountain where there are sensational panoramic views. There is an elevation gain of 600' which is gradual. WEAR: strong shoes and a hat. Bring plenty of water and a snack. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873, Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley, CA 92308 by 8am or at the Wrightwood Community Center by 9am. LEADER: Norman BOSSOM 760-912-3725. coachnorm@yahoo.com
MOJAVE GROUP

SEP 7 (SAT) 8:00 AM GRANDVIEW POINT HIKE
This will be a 6- to 8-mile, 800 ft. elevation gain hike to Grandview Point on the south side of Big Bear. I'm in the process of working on a possible different route. We usually take Pine Knot trail from the Aspen Glen picnic area but it might be nice to change it up. For those who sign up, I'll be able to give you our meeting place then. RATED: **Moderate**. MEET: TBD. BRING: 2 liters water, snack/lunch, sun protection, hiking boots and trekking poles. RESERVATION: Judy Atkinson (909) 289-1932, judy5723@gmail.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

SEP 9 – SEP 15

*Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings and Activities)*

SEP 9 (MON) 7:00 PM SB MOUNTAINS GROUP MEETING
Monthly program meeting. No meeting in August or December. PLACE: St. Richard's Episcopal Church, 28708 Highway 18, Sky Forest. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313.
SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

SEP 10 (TUE) 7:00 PM CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. Please participate. We need your help! INFO: KIM FLOYD, Conservation Chair, kimffloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 249-5385. CHAPTER

SEP 11 (WED) 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except for July & August. PLACE: Sterling Inn, Regency Room, 17738 Francesca, Victorville. (One block north of Bear Valley Rd. on Ridgecrest.) Enter on Ridgecrest side of the building. INFO: SUSAN STUEBER, sstueber16@gmail.com
MOJAVE GROUP

SEP 12 (THU) 6:30 PM SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except July, August & December. In place of the December meeting there will be a winter celebration ON THE WEEKEND. Doors open at 6:00 PM, meeting starts at 6:30. PLACE: Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauba Road, Temecula. INFO: PAM NELSON (951) 767-2324 sierraclubsmg@gmail.com
SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

SEP 13 (FRI) 9:00 AM GREEN VALLEY LAKE HIKE
Join us for a 3-5 miles R/T **moderate**, 600' elevation gain hike in the Green Valley Lake area of the San Bernardino Mountains. Well behaved dogs are welcome. MEET at Lakeside Park (33268 Green Valley Lake Rd, Green Valley Lake, CA 92341). WEAR Layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING trekking poles, snacks, and water. LEADER Jean Knoff, 562-400-4004 (text OK), meanjeanoh@yahoo.com
MOUNTAINS GROUP

SEP 14 (SAT) 9:00 AM GRANDVIEW HIKE HIKE
Join us for a 6.5 mile R/T **moderate**. 1200' elevation gain hike from the Aspen Glen Picnic Area on the Pineknot Trail to Grandview Point. Adventure Pass required. Amenities include restrooms and picnic tables. MEET Aspen Glen Picnic Area (40105 Mill Creek Rd. Big Bear Lake CA, 92315). WEAR layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING 2 bottles of water, lunch, and trekking poles. LEADER Heather Sargeant 909-336-2836 (no text). Inclement weather will cancel.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

SEP 15 (SUN) 6:30 AM MT. RUBIDOUX FITNESS WALK
Join us and enjoy dawn and early morning on a 2.7-mile fitness walk looping Mt. Rubidoux in Riverside. MEET: Parking area of Ryan Bonaminio Park, 5000 Tequesquite Avenue, Riverside, 92506. WEAR: Layered clothing and walking shoes. BRING: Snacks and water. DOGS: Well-behaved dogs welcome; must be on 6-foot leash. LEADER: JULIANN ANDERSON, (cell) (951) 833-1328.
CHAPTER

SEP 15 (SUN) 5:00 PM BOX SPRINGS MOUNTAIN PARK FULL MOON HIKE
Moderate 5- to 6-mile hike in Box Springs Park to the towers. BRING: water, snack, hiking poles if you want, flashlight and sturdy shoes. MEET: From 60 fwy in Moreno Valley, exit on Pigeon Pass. Drive north on Pigeon Pass about 4 miles, turns into Box Springs Mountain Rd. and soon turns to dirt. In 1.2 miles you reach the parking area on the right, 2618 Box Springs Mountain Road. Rain cancels. FEE: \$5; RSVP by 8 pm Sept 14. INFO & LEADER: Christina Torres (951) 318-7503 or cmt.teck@gmail.com
MORENO VALLEY GROUP

SEP 15-19 (SUN-THU) CENTRAL NEVADA: SOUTH TWIN RIVER BACKPACK
This area has been described as one of "deep, rugged canyons, high bald peaks, elk and wet feet." The trip begins on the South Twin River, near Carver, about an hour's drive northeast of Tonopah, at an elevation around 6,300 ft. After arriving at the trail head we will hike in 5 miles to a very nice campsite. After setting up camp it is worthwhile to hike upstream in this lush canyon of many cascades and waterfalls. The next day we will hike around another 5 miles and camp. On day 3 we do a day hike (bring a day-pack) to the top of 11,773 ft. Arc Dome, 10-12 miles r/t with 4,100 ft. elevation gain. Day 4 sees the start down South Twin, all downhill and camp where we did the first night. The last day is the hike out. About 16 miles r/t, 3,000 ft. elevation gain with backpacks. Limit 12. David Hardy 702-875-4826 hardyhikers@embarqmail.com, email preferred.
CNRCC DESERT COMMITTEE

SEP 16 – SEP 22

*Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings and Activities)*

SEP 17 (TUE) 7:00 PM LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING
Monthly except July & August. Please join us for an informative program. PLACE: Goldy B. Lewis Center, Central Park, 11200 Baseline Rd., Rancho Cucamonga. INFO: BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

SEP 19 (THU) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except January, February & December. INFO: For current program information, please visit the Group web site sierraclub.org/san-gorgonio/big-bear. PLACE: Big Bear Discovery Center, 40971 North Shore Dr. (Hwy. 38), Fawnskin. INFO: ELLEN KESLER, 909-585-1062, jcricket47@yahoo.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

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SEP 18 (WED) 6:30 AM TELEGRAPH PEAK HIKE
This will be a strenuous hike to the top of Telegraph Peak (elevation 8,985 ft.), 11.5 miles total trip with 2,800 ft. elevation gain. We will start at Manker Flat and hike up to Thunder Mountain on our way to Telegraph Peak. This hike counts towards the "Peaks of the Cucamonga Wilderness Patch" for hiking the 7 tallest peaks in the Cucamonga Wilderness. Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, 3+ liters water, lunch, sunscreen. Contact John St. Clair prior to scheduled date for carpooling and meeting place. LEADER: John St. Clair, 909-983-8501, john@stclairs.us
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

****SEP 19 (THU) 9:00 AM SB MTS GRAY'S PEAK HIKE**
A moderate 7-mile round trip hike with a 1,200 ft. elevation gain. Gray's Peak is one of Sierra Club's 100 peaks. There are interesting rock formations along the way and lots of scenic views. MEET Gray's Peak trailhead parking area on Hwy 38, north shore of Big Bear Lake. Adventure Pass required. BRING: 10 essentials, hiking boots, jacket, lunch and 2 liters of water. Contact LEADER: JOE AMADOR 909-856-5760 (text ok) or jamador2000@yahoo.com. Dave Melton assistant leader.
BIG BEAR GROUP

SEP 20 (FRI) 9:00 AM PEBBLE PLAIN ECOLOGICAL RESERVE HIKE
Join us for a 5-mile moderate loop hike around the San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust (SBMLT) Pebble Plain Ecological Reserve. Learn about the SBMLT's efforts in preserving this delicate habitat. Well behaved dogs welcome. MEET Vons parking lot to carpool (42170 Big Bear Blvd. Big Bear Lake, CA 92315) WEAR layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING trekking poles, snacks, and water. LEADER Karla Kellems, call 909-939-5790 or text 760-405-4311, karlakellems@gmail.com. Inclement weather will cancel. If canceled, will reschedule on 9/26/2019.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

****SEP 21 (SAT) 8:00 AM JACKSON LAKE HIKE**
This is an easy 5-mile hike around the Jackson Lake area in Wrightwood. There is some elevation gain as always in the mountains. WEAR: Strong shoes and a hat. Bring plenty of water and a snack. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873, Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley, CA 92308 by 8am or at the Wrightwood Community Center by 9am. LEADER: Norman BOSSOM 760-912-3725. coachnorm@yahoo.com
MOJAVE GROUP

SEP 21 (SAT) 8:00 AM PCT SEC A/SEG 4 MT. LAGUNA TO KWAAYMII POINT HIKE

We resume our Section A patch program hikes with this segment, which was snowed out earlier this year. Distance is 10.5 miles with a total climb of 1,400 ft. and 2,000 ft. descent. This is the highest segment, with a highpoint of 6,000 ft. RATED: Moderate MEET: Desert View Picnic Area on northern end of the town of Mt. Laguna. You may wish to camp or stay nearby. Car shuttle is short and on paved roads. BRING: Ten-essentials, warm layered clothing, 2 liters water, lunch, sunscreen, sunglasses, hat and gloves. RESERVATIONS: Contact Darlene Taylor at dtaylorncrew@verizon.net (951) 385-5706 or Dave Melton (760) 408-2456 dmelton61@yahoo.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

****SEP 22 (SUN) 8:30 AM PCT EAST HIKE**
This part of the PCT through Big Bear is quite lovely. To make this a leisurely hike I plan to start it at Polique Canyon Rd. and head east for 3 - 4 miles, depending on group, take our break then return on the same trail. There will be little elevation gain; let's just enjoy the mountains, trees and views. RATED: Moderate. MEET: Cougar Crest Trailhead, ¼ mile west of the Big Bear Discovery Center. The Discovery Center is at 40971 North Shore Drive/Hwy 38, Fawnskin, CA 92333. Adventure Pass required. BRING: 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, sun protection, and hiking boots. RESERVATION: Judy Atkinson (909) 289-1932, judy5723@gmail.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

SEP 23 – SEP 29

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SEP 24 (TUE) 7:30 AM EATON CANYON TO IDLE HOUR CAMP HIKE

This is a strenuous hike up 3.5 miles from Eaton Canyon Nature Center to Heninger Flats, then continue on another 3.5 miles to Idlehour Camp, gaining 2,700' elevation over 7 miles. After a lunch break at the creek, we'll return the same route, making this a strenuous 14-mile round trip hike. Inclement weather cancels. Bring 10 essentials including lunch. Contact leader for carpooling from Upland LEADER: Kathy Viola 909-346-9653, kviola826@gmail.com
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

SEP 24 (TUE) 7:00 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER EXCOM MEETING

Chapter governance meeting. Monthly except for December. PLACE: The meeting is by teleconference. If you wish to participate, contact Mary Ann for instructions. INFO: MARY ANN RUIZ, ruizmaryann@gmail.com, (909) 815-9379.
CHAPTER

SEP 26 (THU) 4:45 PM HIDDEN SPRINGS HIKE

Moderate 4-mile loop on the Hidden Springs trail and arroyo. Trail has some ups and downs but basically follows the base of the hills. Wild donkeys usually seen on this hike. BRING: water, flashlight, wear sturdy shoes. Rain cancels. MEET: next to Hidden Springs School, 9801 Hidden Springs Dr., Moreno Valley. Park along Greenridge Dr. next to the small park. RSVP by 8 pm on Sep 25. INFO and LEADER: Christina Torres (951) 318-7503 or cmt.teck@gmail.com
MORENO VALLEY GROUP

SEP 27 (FRI) 9:00 AM COYOTE ROCK/MILL PEAK HIKE

Join us for a 4-mile round trip moderate hike with a 600' elevation gain. Explore the Jim & Cathy Sims Trail on the San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust Coyote Rock Preserve. Well behaved dogs welcome. MEET Robert Hootman Senior/Community Center parking lot (2929 Running Springs School Road, Running Springs, CA 92382). WEAR layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING trekking poles, snacks, and water. LEADER Karla Kellems call 909-939-5790 or text 760-405-4311 karlakellems@gmail.com. Inclement weather will cancel. If canceled will reschedule on 10/3/2019.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

SEP 29 (SUN) 8:00 AM SANTA ANA RIVER TRAIL HIKE

Join us on this generally level 8-mile round trip hike. The river's beautiful terrain, rich with foliage and oak trees, will be even richer this year. The Feb 14th flash flood event just might make the trail and some water crossings challenging. After hiking, we will drive 5 minutes to the old stagecoach lodge for lunch by its rustic hearth. RATED: Moderate. MEET: Von's parking lot, 42170 Big Bear Blvd. Big Bear. Park closer to Starbucks, 8:00 AM SHARP. Carpool to the trailhead off the 38 & Glass Road, Angeles Oaks. If driving up the 38 from Mentone, go left at Glass Road, drive approx. 5 minutes to the trailhead, small parking area across the street. BRING: 10 Essentials, 2 liters water, snacks, layered clothing, hat, sun protection, boots, poles. RESERVATIONS: Charlotte Watts @momscampsite@gmail.com or 909-866-7423.
BIG BEAR GROUP

SEP 30 – OCT 6

Please read "LIABILITY WAIVER" preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings and Activities)

OCT 1 (TUE) 7:30 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING

Monthly chapter program. For more information, see page 12 or front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LADD SEEKINS, ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com. (909) 800-3911.
CHAPTER

****OCT 2 (WED) 7:00 AM ONTARIO PEAK HIKE**

This will be a strenuous hike up Ice House Canyon into the Cucamonga Wilderness to the top of Ontario Peak (elevation 8,693 ft), 12.8 miles round trip with 3,700 ft. elevation gain. Rain cancels. Adventure Pass required at trailhead. This hike counts towards the "Peaks of the Cucamonga Wilderness Patch" for hiking the 7 tallest peaks in the Cucamonga Wilderness. BRING: sturdy boots, 3 liters water, lunch, sunscreen, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Contact John St. Clair prior to scheduled date for carpooling and meeting place. LEADER: John St. Clair, 909-983-8501, john@stclairs.us
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

****OCT 4 (FRI) 10:00 AM SEQUOIA TRAIL WALK**

Join us for a 1 mile walk at Heaps Peak Arboretum. This interpretive trail is an educational opportunity to learn the names of local plants and animals. This walk is ideal for young kids, and those with limited mobility. Meet at the entrance to Heaps Peak Arboretum (29358 Rim of the World HWY 18, Skyforest, CA 92385). Adventure Pass recommended. Amenities include restrooms and picnic tables. WEAR layered clothing and walking shoes. BRING trekking poles/walking stick, snacks, and water. LEADER Karla Kellems call 909-939-5790 or text 760-405-4311 karlakellems@gmail.com. Inclement weather will cancel. If canceled, will reschedule on 10/10/2019.
MOUNTAINS GROUP

OCT 5 (SAT) 8:00 AM GOLD MOUNTAIN HIKE

We will take a five mile hike through this historic area in Big Bear. The hike is considered moderate as there will be a 500' elevation gain. A short commentary on the history of this area will be given. WEAR: Strong shoes and a hat. Bring plenty of water and a snack. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873, Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley, CA 92308. LEADER: Norman BOSSOM 760-912-3725. coachnorm@yahoo.com
MOJAVE GROUP

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Focus of September's Chapter Program: Air Quality in Our "SMOGGY SUMMER INLAND VALLEY"

Summers in our Inland Valleys often come with triple digit temperatures. As they rise we also see an increase in bad air quality days for our communities. This year alone we have had over 40 days in a row with warnings for **Bad Air Quality** for ozone, the source of smog. Last summer we experienced over 90 bad air quality days continuing all the way into October. The cause and proliferation of ground level ozone, which is completely different than the ozone layer, is well known and preventable.

Join us at our September Chapter meeting to learn about what causes smoggy air and what you can do to stop the increase of deadly pollution in our communities.

UC Riverside Professor of Chemical Engineering Dr. Sunni Ivey will explain



how smog works and the serious health hazards we face here in the Inland Empire. She is a supporter of the Sierra Club My Generation Campaign, Sierra Club

Meeting Details

When

Tuesday, Sept 3rd • 7:30 PM

Presented By

UC Riverside Professor of Chemical Engineering Dr. Sunni Ivey

Where

San Bernardino County Museum,
2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands
(California St. exit off 10 Fwy)

locally and at the national level supports our efforts in the Inland Valley to stop pollution in our skies as well as promote opportunities to get off of fossil fuels. Come learn more about how we can move towards renewable solutions for local transportation, power, and buildings.

Meetings are free and open to the public. Doors open at 7:00 pm so come early and mingle!

The California Deal: Making it Stronger and Greener for Everyone



Sierra Club California 2019 Summit Pasadena City College • October 26, 2019

Sierra Club California will host its annual summit in a new one-day format in Pasadena on Saturday, October 26. This year's theme is **The California Deal**.

California has been a national leader in cutting climate pollution and innovating environmental policy. How can we do even better going forward and ensure the state creates a fair and just transition to good paying jobs while we all gain access to clean air, clean water and sustainable transportation options.

Leading California activists and policy experts will guide discussions on improving the California Deal as the Green New Deal gains momentum nationally.

**Don't miss this reboot of Sierra Club California's annual summit.
Seating is limited! Register early.**

Location: Pasadena City College - Creveling Lounge

Date: October 26 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Cost: \$20 in advance; \$30 at the door

More information: <http://SierraClub.org/California/Summit>

Santa Margarita Group

By Elena/Maryellen Garcia, Ph.D.

• SMG Secretary •

Have you checked out the Palm and Pine Online?

Have you received your email each month with links to the paper and our calendar? We would love to hear from you about the online publication. In January of 2020, we will be publishing online only, saving trees and \$\$\$ that can be put to work on environmental issues. If you are not seeing the email with the online version let us know so we can fix that! Email ruizmaryann@gmail.com, or call our office at 951-684-6203 and leave a message so we can be sure you receive future issues!



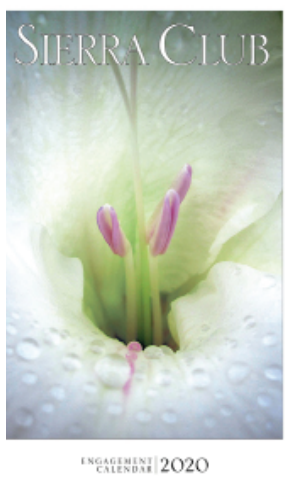
This report from the Santa Margarita Group (SMG) is both a look backward to tell of our successes and a look forward to our plans for next year.

The Rear View Mirror

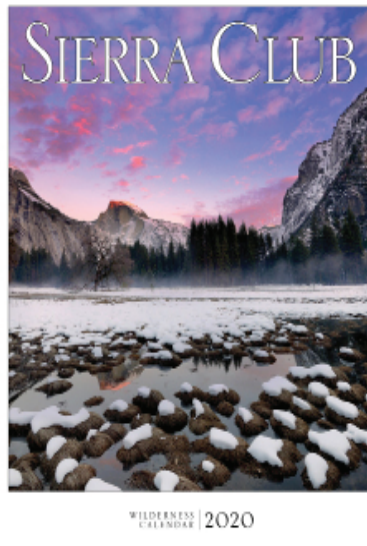
The first thing in our virtual rear-view mirror is our third “Earth Day Fair” held for the second year at the Vail Ranch Headquarters heritage site on April 6th. Organizing and promoting such events reinforces the message that the Sierra Club advocates for the environment and raises awareness of the fragility of the earth, its wildlife and the nature around us. The events themselves offer the general public the opportunity to engage with people who can discuss how environmentalism and healthy living go hand in hand. The SMG was also one of 20 organizations with a booth at the Soboba Tribe’s Earth Day at The Oaks Retreat football field on the Soboba Reservation on April 18th. The beauty of the site itself, at the foot of the green, majestic San Jacinto Mountains, gave participants an up-close appreciation of nature at its best.



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<i>(Cost includes all applicable sales taxes computed to the nearest mil)</i>						

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 City, State, Zip code _____

Events such as these provide an opportunity for what in Sierra Club parlance is called “tabling”— simply, staffing a table and offering information to those attending. This year volunteers tabled on behalf of the SMG at the first Rooted in Nature Craft Brew Festival at Marna O’Brien Park in Wildomar on Saturday, May 18th. This event was a fund-raiser for the Santa Rosa Plateau Nature Education Foundation, affiliated with the Santa Rosa Plateau Ecological Reserve, often the site for educational activities organized by the SMG.

Our speaker at a General Meeting on June 13th was Billie Beckley, a Master’s Degree student in Marine Ecology at CSU San Diego. Her presentation, titled “A Sea of Change, Getting to the Point of Point Loma’s Kelp Forests,” revealed to the audience of 20-plus how crucial kelp is to the ocean’s ecology, which was very informative.

Open Mouth, insert Food and Drink!

For the second year SMG members enjoyed an end-of-year potluck picnic on June 30th at the Santa Rosa Plateau. The agenda was to sit and chat with each other in a relaxed setting, ingest food and drink (non-alcoholic) and to remember to bring reusable utensils, plates and cups for a minimum of trash. The 20 or so who attended admirably achieved two of these goals—and will work on the third for the future.

Eating and drinking weren’t the main draw at our recent Wildlife Art Show and Speaker Series, but they sure helped in their enjoyment! The unique scratch art of Heather Lara was showcased at the Gallery at Warner Springs, which ran from May 3rd through the end of July. As a tie-in, there were Saturday afternoon presentations by experts from three organizations: the Wildlife Research Institute; the Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve and The Nature Conservancy. Donations were requested for the lectures to



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OCT 5 (SAT) 8:30 AM ASPEN GROVE/FISH CREEK AREA HIKE
Join me on this fall hike to the Aspen Grove and along Fish Creek Trail. We will be taking a longer way around to the Aspen Grove, then hiking along the Fish Creek Trail enjoying our lovely fall weather. **RATED: Moderate**, 6 - 8 miles, depending on group, 800 - 1,000 ft. of elevation gain. **BRING:** 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, sun protection, hiking boots and trekking poles. **MEET:** at the trailhead located off Heart Bar Rd at 1N02 & 1N05. **RESERVATION:** Judy Atkinson (909) 289-1932, judy5723@gmail.com
BIG BEAR GROUP

OCT 6 (SUN) 6:30 AM MT. RUBIDOUX FITNESS WALK WALK
Join us and enjoy dawn and early morning on a 2.7-mile fitness walk looping Mt. Rubidoux in Riverside. **MEET:** Parking area of Ryan Bonaminio Park, 5000 Tequesquite Avenue, Riverside, 92506. **WEAR:** Layered clothing and walking shoes. **BRING:** Snacks and water. **DOGS:** Well-behaved dogs welcome; must be on 6-foot leash. **LEADER:** JULIANN ANDERSON, (cell) (951) 833-1328.
CHAPTER

OCT 6-8 (SUN-TUE) JTNP JUMBO ROCKS CAMPGROUND CARCAMP
From noon Sunday until noon Tuesday we'll car camp with day hikes at the Jumbo Rocks Campground in Joshua Tree National Park. Expect warm weather between 50 to 80 degrees. Short drives/day hikes. **BRING:** Money for entry and camping, food, water, shelter, firewood and sturdy shoes plus the ten essentials. For more information contact Bob Mourino (760) 953-3854. rlmourino@yahoo.com
MOJAVE GROUP

OCT 7 – OCT 13

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OCT 7 (MON) 6:00 PM SB MOUNTAINS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Alpine Conference Room 27236 Blue Jay Mall on the first Monday of selected months: Feb. 4, Mar. 4, Apr. 1, May 6, Oct. 7 & Nov. 4. **INFO:** DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313.
SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

OCT 7 (MON) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP EXCOM MEETING
The meeting place rotates. **CONTACT:** ELLEN KESLER, 909-585-1062, jcricket47@yahoo.com
BIG BEAR GROUP



Big Bear Group

By Ellen Kesler, Group Chairwoman

Summer is in full swing up here in the mountains. Our Xeriscape Tour and booth at the Community Gardens was a success in July. We are going to skip a year and bring it back in 2021. We'll be setting up our booth at the festivities of the "Forest Festival" celebrating Smokey Bear's 75th birthday on August 17th at the Barton Flats Information Center.

Our August General Meeting speaker will be Robin Eliason, the head biologist for the San Bernardino National Forest. She will be sharing information about the mountain wildlife and focusing on the Bald Eagles. It should be a wonderful learning experience for everyone!

September General Meeting will be a "Movie Night" with the National Geographic movie "Sharks." We will be serving free popcorn and beverages that night while enjoying the movie.

Our October General Meeting speaker is Dr. Hugh Bialecki from our neighboring Save Our Forest Group. He will be enlightening us with what's happening, environmentally, on the mountain and give us an update on the Nestlé company that is still taking water from Strawberry Creek.

So come join us at the Discovery Center every third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm! Free refreshments are always available.

Seeking Nominees

Our Executive Committee ("ExCom"), is seeking nominees to join our Big Bear Group. If elected, the term of office is for two years. We meet once a month in an ExCom member's home here in the Bear Valley.

We truly welcome new ideas and new board members to energize our Sierra Club group. If you're at all interested, please email me at jcricket47@yahoo.com or call 909.585.1062. The deadline to submit your nomination is SEPTEMBER 6th. I look forward to hearing from you! — Ellen

OCT 8 (TUE) 7:00 PM CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. Please participate. We need your help! **INFO:** KIM FLOYD, Conservation Chair, kimffloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 249-5385.
CHAPTER

OCT 9 (WED) 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except for July & August. **PLACE:** Sterling Inn, Regency Room, 17738 Francesca, Victorville. (One block north of Bear Valley Rd. on Ridgecrest.) Enter on Ridgecrest side of the building. **INFO:** SUSAN STUEBER, sstueber16@gmail.com
MOJAVEGROUP

****OCT 10 (THU) 7:30 AM CHANTRY FLATS LOOP HIKE**
This will be a moderately strenuous 10-mile loop hike from Chantry Flats, past Sturtevant Falls, Spruce Grove & Hoeees Campgrounds, returning via Upper Winter Creek Trail. This is a very scenic trail following creeks, mostly forested, with an elevation gain of 1,800 feet. Rain cancels. **BRING:** sturdy boots, water, lunch & snacks, sunscreen, hat, and layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Adventure Pass is required for parking at trailhead. **CONTACT** Kathy Viola to confirm and for directions to trailhead OR carpooling from Upland. **LEADER:** Kathy Viola, 909-346-9653 or kviola826@gmail.com
LOS SERRANOS GROUP

OCT 10 (THU) 8:00 AM BEARPAW RESERVE – FOREST FALLS AREA HIKE
We will hike 6-8 miles on a trail in the Bearpaw Reserve. The Reserve is not open to the public and only groups up to about 12 are allowed. The Reserve is very much a "wilderness" and wildlife is spotted on a regular basis. **RATED: Moderate:** there will be some elevation gain, hopefully not more than 1,200 ft., possibly less. **BRING:** 10 essentials, 2 liters of water, sun protection, snack/lunch, hiking boots, trekking poles and camera. **MEET:** At the Mill Creek Ranger Station in Mentone and carpool to trailhead. If you are coming from Big Bear, we will meet at the large pullout right before the turn to Forest Falls. **RESERVATIONS:** contact hike leader JOE AMADOR 909-856-5760 (TEXT OK) or jamador2000@yahoo.com. Dave Melton assistant leader.
BIG BEAR GROUP

OCT 10 (THU) 6:30 PM SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except July, August & December. In place of the December meeting there will be a winter celebration ON THE WEEKEND. Doors open at 6:00 PM, meeting starts at 6:30. **PLACE:** Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauba Road, Temecula. **INFO:** PAM NELSON (951) 767-2324 sierraclubsmg@gmail.com
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cover wine, appetizers and speakers.

The monies thus collected were distributed from each presentation as follows: \$180 to the speakers from the Wildlife Research Institute and the next two, \$300 and \$400, to the Southern California Mountain Lion project, at the request of the presenters.

In our Crystal Ball

We predict that our efforts at providing venues for big cats and other critters to roam more freely across mountain ranges will soon begin to pay off. The SMG has moved closer to making the confluence of rivers under the I-15 overpass in Temecula a more functional wildlife crossing by actively partnering with the San Diego arm of The Nature Conservancy (TNC). With our input, TNC has applied for a Wildlife Conservation Board grant, after getting a go-ahead at the pre-application level. If approved, monies totaling about \$500,000 will fund tasks to make the underpass more inviting to wildlife, help to lead animals to it and discourage human habitation in the area.

We also predict that the Executive Committee and other interested members will participate in the second planning meeting of the summer on the morning of August 15th. We encourage all members of the SMG to attend; for details on the time and place contact SMG Chair, Pam Nelson at pannelson05n@yahoo.com, or call 951-767-2324.

In September we resume our regular ExCom meetings and general membership meetings and programs. The ExCom meets on the Tuesday prior to the second Thursday of the month. The next general meeting will be held on September 12th at the Ronald H. Roberts Temecula Public Library, 30600 Pauba Rd, beginning at 6:00 with social time, 6:30 a brief business meeting and a speaker at 7:00. The Executive Committee returns to 10:00 am meetings on September 10th at the Bureau of Reclamation, Southern California Area Office (SCAO), 27226 Via Industria Ste. A, Temecula, CA 92590. Again, all are encouraged to attend.

We welcome your interest and participation in our activities. For more information go to:

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/SierraClubSantaMargaritaGroup>

Website: ... <http://www.sierraclubsmg.org/>

Meetup: <https://www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Families/>

Moreno Valley Group

By Ann Turner McKibben, Secretary

Please take time to check our online calendar this fall to see the schedule of our future outings at: https://sangorgonio2.sierraclub.org/groups/moreno_valley

A complete list of Chapter outings can be found at: <https://sangorgonio2.sierraclub.org/node/3>

The Moreno Valley Group plans to have an information table at the November 16th RivCo Recycles Day in Moreno Valley. Please send us an email at movalleygroup@yahoo.com if you would like to join other members and volunteer at our table. We will be sharing information about recycling and reusable products to reduce our dependence on plastics.



San Jacinto Wildlife Area

– Photo by George Hague

Here is some updated information on projects we are following:

Gilman Springs Road (GSR): Allows one to drive from Moreno Valley to the San Jacinto/Hemet area on a mainly two lane road. Right now you can enjoy driving along Mystic Lake and other lands which are part of the 10,000 acre Davis unit of the San Jacinto Wildlife Area (SJWA) and there is also open space at the 9,500 acre disjointed Potrero unit of the SJWA to the east of Gilman Springs Road near Highway 79. Endangered/threatened species as well as others that are protected under the Riverside County Multi-Species Plan use all of these important lands, but they may need to cross Gilman Springs Road and have access to both habitat lands. The Sierra Club and other environmental groups have been trying to have a meeting with Riverside County about their planned improvements to Gilman Springs Road to make sure they allow for safe animal crossings/connectivity. They are currently spending major money to upgrade Gilman Springs Road at this time, to make it safer for those who will use it when they shutdown portions of SR-60 through the Badlands to add a truck lane. They are, however, trying to obtain funding to make even larger improvements to GSR and have finally agreed to meet with the environmental community this October.

Moreno Valley General Plan Update: The city of Moreno Valley is in the process of updating its current general plan. If you would like to be added to their list, take part in this process and add your concerns and comments, please send your email address to all of the following: Moreno Valley City Clerk (Pat Jacquez-Nares, CityClerk@moval.org) and cc the MV community Development Director (Richard Sandzimier, richardsa@moval.org) and the city Planning Official (Patty Nevins, pattyn@moval.org).

Brodiaea Commerce Center warehouse settlement: The City approved the Brodiaea Commerce Center warehouse (near SW corner of Alessandro Blvd and Heacock St) directly across the street from 13 family homes. Just like the larger Moreno Valley Logistic Center (MLC) across the street from 31 homes, the Sierra Club worked with the developer to better protect the residents. As with the MVLC, this developer agreed to provide each homeowner a state of the art \$18,000 HVAC and air filtration system with a 10 year maintenance agreement to help protect them from the toxic diesel pollution generated by the project. The developer also agreed to better protect the homeowners with enhanced landscaping and restrictions on truck movement. Many other items in the settlement will better protect all of us from increased air pollution/greenhouse gas—such as the installation of EV chargers.

World Logistics Center (WLC): The 40.6 sq ft World Logistic Center (WLC) warehouse project would cover 2,610 acres, an area larger than three New York Central Parks. The Superior Court ruled in the environmental community’s favor in June 2018 on several issues, but we lost on the very important Greenhouse Gas (GHG) issue. On May 20, 2019, our Earthjustice attorneys, who are also representing the San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society, Center for Biological Diversity, Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice and Coalition for Clean Air, filed their opening brief to appeal the Superior Courts decision solely as it relates to the faulty GHG analysis. The City and the project developer, Highland Fairview, has filed a cross-appeal of the Superior Court’s decision and have been granted an extension until mid-August to file.

Villages of Lakeview (VOL): A coalition of environmental groups represented by Center for Biological Diversity has challenged the Riverside County Board of Supervisor’s approval of this 8,725-unit development on the south edge of the San Jacinto Wildlife area. A hearing on the merits of the lawsuit is tentatively set for August.

Donations Needed: Your donations are essential to our litigation against the Villages of Lakeview and the World Logistics Center as well as other projects in our area. Make checks payable to “Sierra Club” with a notation for WLC and/or VOL or other. Please send to: Sierra Club—Moreno Valley Group, P.O. Box 1325, Moreno Valley, CA 92556-1325. We sincerely appreciate and thank all of you who have taken time to donate to the litigation fund! We appreciate your generous donations.



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OCT 11 (FRI) 9:00 AM DOGWOOD TRAIL HIKE
Join us on a 4 mile **moderate** hike amongst the dogwoods. MEET at the entrance to Dogwood Campground (26898 Rim of the World HWY 18, Rimforest, CA 92378) Do not block the gate. WEAR layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING trekking poles, snacks, and water. LEADER Karla Kellems call 909-939-5790 or text 760-405-4311, karlakellems@gmail.com. Inclement weather will cancel. If canceled, will reschedule on 10/17/2019. MOUNTAINS GROUP

OCT 13 (SUN) 9:00 AM PINNACLES HIKE HIKE
Join us for a **moderate/difficult**, 6 miles, R/T, 1,100' elevation gain hike, with a rock scramble to the top. The Pinnacles is one of the Sierra Club's 100 peaks. Come see the exciting rejuvenation along the trail since the 2016 Pilot fire. Beautiful views of the desert and Silverwood Lake at the top. WEAR layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING 2 bottles of water, lunch, and trekking poles. MEET Blue Jay Cinema parking lot to carpool (27315 North Bay Road, Blue Jay, CA 92317). LEADER Heather Sargeant 909-336-2836 (no text). Inclement weather will cancel. MOUNTAINS GROUP

OCT 14 – OCT 20

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OCT 14 (MON) 7:00 PM SB MOUNTAINS GROUP MEETING
Monthly program meeting. No meeting in August or December. PLACE: St. Richard's Episcopal Church, 28708 Highway 18, Sky Forest. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313. SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

OCT 15 (TUE) 7:00 PM LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING
Monthly except July & August. Please join us for an informative program. PLACE: Goldy B. Lewis Center, Central Park, 11200 Baseline Rd., Rancho Cucamonga. INFO: BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

OCT 16 (WED) 7:30 AM SIERRA MADRE LOOP HIKE
We will begin hiking 3 strenuous miles up Bailey Canyon gaining 2,300 feet to Jones Peak (elevation 3400'). After a lunch break, we'll take Lost Canyon trail down 1 mile to connect with the Mt. Wilson Trail, stopping at First Water, then continuing 4.5 miles down, ending at Mt. Wilson Trail Park. This will complete a moderately strenuous 8.5 mile loop, requiring a short car shuttle. We will enjoy amazing vistas along the way as well as wildflowers, creeks, & canyons. Rain cancels, BRING: water, lunch/snacks, sturdy boots, hat, sun screen, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. MEET: Contact leader for carpool arrangements from Upland. LEADER: Kathy Viola 909-346-9653, kviola826@gmail.com LOS SERRANOS GROUP

OCT 17 (THU) 6:30 PM BIG BEAR GROUP MEETING
Monthly meeting except January, February & December. INFO: For current program information, please visit the Group web site sierraclub.org/san-gorgonio/big-bear. PLACE: Big Bear Discovery Center, 40971 North Shore Dr. (Hwy. 38), Fawnskin. INFO: ELLEN KESLER, 909-585-1062, jcricket47@yahoo.com BIG BEAR GROUP

OCT 18 (FRI) 9:00 AM SLIDE PEAK HIKE
Join us for a 6 mile R/T, 800' elevation gain **difficult** hike up to Slide Peak, one of Sierra Club's 100 Peaks. MEET at yellow post site 5, Keller Peak Road (1N96) off HWY 18 in Arrowbear for a car shuttle. WEAR layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING trekking poles, lunch, and 2 bottles of water. LEADER Karla Kellems Call 909-939-5790 or Text 760-405-4311, karlakellems@gmail.com. Inclement weather will cancel. If canceled, will be rescheduled 10/24/2019 MOUNTAINS GROUP

OCT 19 (SAT) 8:00 AM RODMAN MOUNTAIN PETROGLYPHS HIKE
This is a 3-mile hike through the wilderness that encompasses the wonderful Rodman Mountain petroglyphs. The area is covered in volcanic rock which makes the area quite rugged. We will car pool to the trailhead. The journey takes us on a graded road, suitable for most vehicles. WEAR: Strong shoes and a hat. Bring plenty of water and a snack. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, 11873, Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley, CA 92308. LEADER: Norman BOSSOM 760-912-3725. coachnorm@yahoo.com MOJAVE GROUP

OCT 20 (SUN) 6:30 AM MT. RUBIDOUX FITNESS WALK WALK
Join us and enjoy dawn and early morning on a 2.7-mile fitness walk looping Mt. Rubidoux in Riverside. MEET: Parking area of Ryan Bonaminio Park, 5000 Tequesquite Avenue, Riverside, 92506. WEAR: Layered clothing and walking shoes. BRING: Snacks and water. DOGS: Well-behaved dogs welcome; must be on 6-foot leash. LEADER: JULIANN ANDERSON, (cell) (951) 833-1328. CHAPTER

OCT 20 (SUN) 8:30 AM JOHNS MEADOW HIKE
This hike is wonderful any time of year, but I really enjoy leading it in the fall. It's a little over 7-mile hike in the San Gorgonio Wilderness. This trail takes us around the mountain with great views, water seeps, a creek, sugar pines and much more. RATED: **Moderate**, with about 1,000 ft. of elevation gain. BRING: 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, sun protection, hiking boots and trekking poles. MEET: Forsee Creek Trailhead. RESERVATION: Judy Atkinson (909) 289-1932, judy5723@mail.com BIG BEAR GROUP

OCT 20 (SUN) 8:30 AM SANTA ROSA PLATEAU HIKE
Join me on an **easy** 5-mile hike of the beautiful Santa Rosa Plateau. This will not be a fast paced hike. It is geared toward people new to hiking or those that haven't hiked in a long time and a good place to self evaluate your condition so you can make future decisions picking hikes you will enjoy. BRING: Plenty of water (two quarts min.), a lunch or snack and don't forget the sunscreen. Dress in layers and wear sturdy hiking shoes. MEET: Hidden Valley trail head. DIRECTIONS: From Interstate 15 in Murrieta, exit southwest on Clinton Keith Rd. Drive 5.8 miles to the Hidden Valley Trail head on the left side of the road. The trailhead is located shortly beyond where the road makes a sharp left turn and changes name to Tenaja. There is a \$4 fee for trail use at the Reserve. LEADER: Bob Audibert at bob.takeahike1@gmail.com, or call me at (951) 302-1059 and leave a message. SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

OCT 21 – OCT 27

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OCT 22 (TUE) 7:00 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER EXCOM MEETING
Chapter governance meeting. Monthly except for December. PLACE: The meeting is by teleconference. If you wish to participate, contact Mary Ann for instructions. INFO: MARY ANN RUIZ, ruizmaryann@gmail.com, (909) 815-9379. CHAPTER

OCT 24 (THU) 4:00 PM HIDDEN SPRINGS HIKE
Moderate 4-mile loop on the Hidden Springs trail and arroyo. Trail has some ups and downs but basically follows the base of the hills. Wild donkeys usually seen on this hike. BRING: water, flashlight, wear sturdy shoes. Rain cancels. MEET: next to Hidden Springs School, 9801 Hidden Springs Dr., Moreno Valley. Park along Greenridge Dr. next to the small park. RSVP by 8 pm on Oct 22. INFO and LEADER: Christina Torres (951) 318-7503 or cmt.teck@gmail.com MORENO VALLEY GROUP

****OCT 24 (THU) 8:00 AM BERTHA PEAK HIKE**
On this round-trip "Peaks of Big Bear" hike, we hike 7 miles and climb 1,400 feet, initially on the Cougar Crest trail through a mixed pine, fir, and oak forest. We will enjoy views of the lake, mountains, and desert. From Polique Road we will take the PCT, then the final trail to Bertha Peak, which is actually an Electronic Relay Station. We'll have our snack break there and return. RATED: Moderate with some rocky trail. MEET: Cougar Crest Trailhead ¼ mile west of the Big Bear Discovery Center. An Adventure Pass is required to park. We will carpool to the trailhead. BRING: 10 essentials, 2 liters of water, snack/lunch, sun protection, hiking boots, trekking poles and camera. RESERVATIONS: contact hike leader JOE AMADOR 909-856-5760 (TEXT OK) or jamador2000@yahoo.com BIG BEAR GROUP

OCT 25 (FRI) 9:00 AM SB MTS ARRASTRE CREEK HIKE
Join us for a 6-mile, 800' elevation gain moderate hike on the Pacific Crest Trail along Arrastre Creek in search of Fall colors. Well-behaved dogs welcome. MEET Forest Service Road (2N01) off HWY 38. WEAR hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING trekking poles, snacks, and water. LEADER Karla Kellems Call 909-939-5790 or Text 760-405-431, karlakellems@gmail.com. Inclement weather will cancel. If canceled, will be rescheduled on 10/31/2019. MOUNTAINS GROUP

****OCT 26 (SAT) DRY LAKE HIKE HIKE**
This is a strenuous 13-mile round trip hike to Dry Lake in the San Bernardino Mountains. Hike starts at the South Fork Trailhead (elevation 6900) and climbs 2,100 ft to Dry Lake (elevation 9,000). Lower part of the route goes through the Lake Fire burn area and provides an opportunity to observe how the forest is recovering. The route then goes through beautiful South Fork meadow with its rushing streams, and then up to Dry Lake which, thanks to last winter's rain and snow, is a lake again. Views of San Gorgonio and Jepson peaks from the lake are spectacular. Rain cancels. BRING at least 3 liters water, lunch, and layered clothing (lunch at 9,000' may get chilly). Adventure Pass required at trailhead. LEADER: Greg Walker CO-LEADER: John St.Clair. Contact leader to schedule departure time and meeting place (951) 276-1828 walker@citrus.ucr.edu BSAN GORGONIO CHAPTER

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OCT 26 (SAT) 8:00 AM PCT SECT A/SEG 3 KITCHEN CREEK TO MT LAGUNA HIKE

This is the second hike for the fall in the Section A PCT patch program. Starting at 3,900 ft., we hike 12.3 miles with a total climb of 3,000 ft. and 1,000 ft. descent. Ending elevation is 6,000 ft. RATED: Strenuous MEET: Desert View Picnic Area on northern end of the town of Mt. Laguna. You may wish to camp or stay nearby. Car shuttle is on paved roads. BRING: Ten-essentials, warm layered clothing, 2 liters water, lunch, sunscreen, sunglasses, hat and gloves. RESERVATIONS: Contact Darlene Taylor at dtaylorncrew@verizon.net (951) 385-5706 or Dave Melton (760) 408-2456 dmelton61@yahoo.com **BIG BEAR GROUP**

OCT 27 (SUN) 8:00 AM SNOW VALLEY/LAKEVIEW POINT LOOP HIKE

This is a 7-mile round trip hike through mixed oak and pine forests. This time of year should offer us beautiful autumn colors. This trail reveals views of Snow Valley, Keller Peak, Big Bear Lake & the ridge from San Bernardino Peak east. After the hike, if the group wants, we can meet for lunch at one of the local restaurants. RATING: moderate MEET: Vons parking lot at 42170 Big Bear Blvd. Big Bear Lake. Park closer to Starbucks. We then carpool to the trailhead. BRING: 10 Essentials, 2 liters of water, snacks, layered clothing, hat, sun protection, hiking boots, trekking poles. RESERVATIONS: contact leader Charlotte Watts @momscampsite@gmail.com or 909-86674232. Co-leader is Ed Wallace. **BIG BEAR GROUP**

OCT 27 (SUN) 9:00 AM SPLINTERS CABIN TO DEVIL'S HOLE HIKE

Join us for a moderate 6-mile R/T hike with a 500' elevation gain. Follow the popular Pacific Crest Trail along beautiful Deep Creek. WEAR layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING trekking poles, lunch, and 2 bottles of water. MEET Cedar Glen Post Office parking lot to carpool (28982 Hook Creek Road, Cedar Glen, CA 92321) LEADER Heather Sargeant 909-336-2836 (no text). Inclement weather will cancel. **MOUNTAINS GROUP**

OCT 28 – OCT 31

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OCT 30 (WED) 7:30 AM GLENDORA TO CROSS ABOVE AZUSA HIKE

We will hike on a service road, starting at Glendora Mountain Rd for 4 moderate miles to reach our destination at the cross & bench overlooking the entire valley! This was previously known as the Garcia Trail prior to the wildfire which closed the access from Azusa. Return the same way making this 8-mile round trip with 600' elevation gain. Inclement weather cancels. BRING: 10 essentials MEET: Call leader for carpool from Upland or meet at Glendora trailhead. LEADER KATHY VIOLA 909-346-9653 kviola826@gmail.com **LOS SERRANOS GROUP**

UPCOMING

NOV 1 (FRI) 9:00 AM GREEN VALLEY LAKE HIKE

Join us for a 3-5 miles R/T moderate, 600' elevation gain hike in the Green Valley Lake area of the San Bernardino Mountains. Well-behaved dogs are welcome. MEET at the entrance to the Green Valley Lake campground (33680 Green Valley Lake Rd, Green Valley Lake, CA 92341). WEAR layered clothing, hat, long pants, and hiking shoes. BRING trekking poles, snacks, and water. LEADER Sandy Ellis, 909-867-7115 (no text), fsellis67@gmail.com **MOUNTAINS GROUP**

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NON-SIERRA CLUB RECURRING WEEKLY & MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

(EVERY MON) 7:00 AM SANTA ROSA PLATEAU OR NEARBY TRAIL HIKE

NON-SIERRA CLUB EVENT VOLKSWALKING IN SO. CALIFORNIA

Come walk with Kathy every Monday for a 3-4-mile hike on the beautiful Santa Rosa Plateau or on another interesting trail nearby. No hikes on Christmas & New Year's Day. Noncompetitive hiking for fun, fitness, & fellowship, Volksmarch is a worldwide movement that started in Germany in the 1960s on air force bases. "Volks" means "people" in German. MEET to carpool at 7:00 AM sharp at Barons Market, 32310 Clinton Keith Road, Wildomar 92595. WEAR sunscreen, a hat & BRING plenty of cold water & a snack. INFO: KATHY BUNDY 951-218-3755. See also the *meetup.com* page: *Volkswalking in So. California Open to Everyone!* (MEETS July 1, July 8, July 15, July 22, July 29, August 5, August 12, August 19, August 26)

(1ST & 3RD FRI) 8:30 PM INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE FOLK DANCE

NON-SIERRA CLUB EVENT UC RIVERSIDE FOLK DANCE CLUB
International folk dancing: Greek, Israeli, Serbian, Turkish, etc. This is the same group that used to meet at UCR. Twice monthly: on the 1st & 3rd Fridays. COST: \$3 donation to help pay for the room. PLACE: Highgrove United Methodist Church, 938 W. Center St., Highgrove. DIRECTIONS: Take the Center St. exit from Interstate 215. The church is one half mile east of the freeway on the right. INFO: GAIL SEEKINS (909) 825-4427 lgseekins@sbcglobal.net or LARRY POWELL (909) 864-2309 [MEETS July 5, July 19, August 2, August 16]

(3RD WED) 6:30 OR 7:30 PM AUDUBON SOCIETY MEETING NON-SIERRA CLUB EVENT SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY AUDUBON SOCIETY

A guest speaker presents an illustrated program on wildlife or natural science. Come early to browse the gift tables & socialize on the third Wednesday of each month. The June & December meetings are potluck dinners starting 6:30 p.m. other months start 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I10 at California St. INFO: DORI MEYERS, (714) 779-2201. (MEETS July 17, August 21)



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Love the Redwoods? Find Out Who Really Saved Them at Our October Chapter Meeting!

Please join us to learn the dramatic but forgotten story of the women—and the men they worked with—who were the first group to preserve an important span of California’s coastal redwood forests. Our speakers, Laura and James Wasserman, earlier this year published *Who Saved the Redwoods? The Unsung Heroines of the 1920s Who Fought for Our Redwood Forests*.

No other book exclusively details the first campaigns to save the redwood forests of Humboldt County during the 1920s and 1930s. It highlights the significant role of women. By successfully fending off the logging industry, they paved the way for the modern environmental movement.

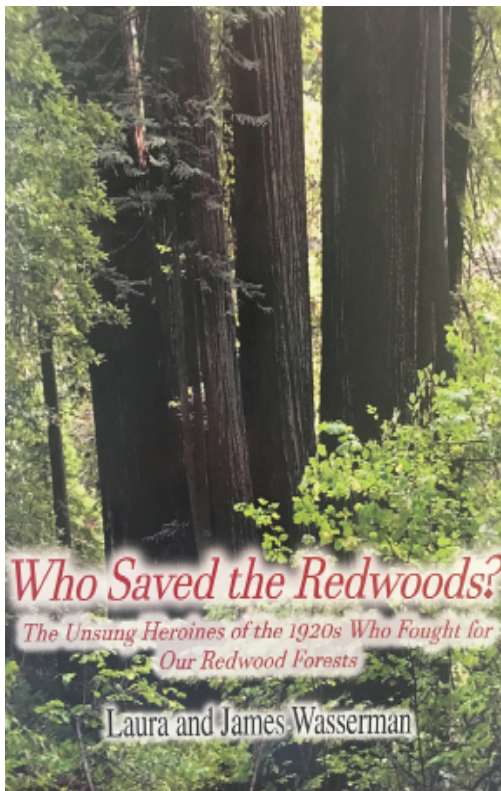
The Wassermans may not have copies to sell their book at the meeting. You may bring your own copy, however, and they will sign it. Find it at your local bookstore or buy it online from Amazon.

Their book, incorporating archived material that highlights for the first time the prominent role of women, covers the early efforts to save the redwoods, the 21 years from 1913 through 1934. This was a colorful moment in history when a new generation of native Californians successfully faced down Eastern lumber interests over destruction of their beautiful, ancient forests.

The book follows a trajectory of initial failure and ridicule, then limited successes and the determination that overcame the entrenched intransigence of lumber interests. Finally, a historic rush of stunning preservation victories established Humboldt Redwoods State Park as the largest expanse of surviving old-growth redwoods on earth.

The big lesson of their book is that caring and committed citizens could protect a natural area when it was generally not considered possible for government to act against powerful economic interests such as the lumber industry.

Their book grew out of a study of California’s state park system – *Beyond Crisis: Recapturing Excellence in California’s State Park System* – that James wrote for the California Little Hoover Commission in 2013.



MEETING DETAILS
Tuesday, October 1st • 7:30 PM
“Who Saved the Redwoods?”
 Presented by Laura & James Wasserman

Program held at the
San Bernardino County Museum,
2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands
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than 30,000 acres of Northern California redwoods from 1913 through 1934.

“We made this lost history of women’s conservation efforts in the redwood forests the primary focus of our book, with the intention of restoring credit where it is due. Throughout this period that marked the beginning of the modern environmental movement, women and the men they worked with through the Save the Redwoods League and Sierra Club, held to a powerful ideal of civilization in which the wonders of nature are not destroyed but passed intact to future generations.”

Laura Wasserman is a long-time institutional researcher and research coordinator in the private and public sectors. Her professional experience includes extensive business market analysis and polling for national opinion research,

Said the Wasserman’s, “... we found to our great amazement a wonderful, inspirational story of a multitude of women, locally, statewide and nationally, who fought powerful lumber interests to save more

political campaigns and environmental issues. She has experience in evaluation of local, state and federal government programs and comprehensive report writing in California and Alaska.

James Wasserman has worked 33 years as a newspaper and wire service reporter, columnist and television commentator in California and Alaska. His specialties include land use and environmental issues. He also worked as a California state government policy



This Mahan Plaque is in Humboldt Redwoods State Park along the Avenue of the Giants. It designates the site where Laura Mahan stood in the path of tree felling in 1924 – the story that inspired further research and the book itself.

– Photo by Laura Wasserman

analyst, authoring investigative and environmental public policy reports.

The Wassermans lived in the San Geronio Chapter area from 1983 to 1986, one year in Upland and two in Palm Springs when James was city editor of *The Desert Sun*. Since 2001 they have lived in the Sacramento area.

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